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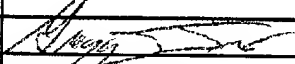
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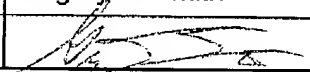
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Application Number	09/679,688
Filing Date	October 5, 2000
First Named Inventor	LIPSCOMB, Kenneth O.
Examiner Name	PRIETO, Beatriz
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Kenneth O. Lipscomb**

Application No: 09/679,688

**Filed: October 5, 2000**

For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
DISTRIBUTING MEDIA ASSETS TO  
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In response to the non-final Office Action dated March 3, 2004, Applicants submitted a response and amendment (along with a request for a two-month extension of time and the appropriate fee) via facsimile on August 3, 2004. In addition to these these remarks and amendments, please enter the following supplemental amendments and consider the following remarks.

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